

[In substitution for Supplementary Order Paper No. 8.]

Supplementary Order Paper.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Tuesday, the 5th Day of August, 1913.

POLICE FORCE BILL.

Mr. HERDMAN, in Committee, to move the following amendments:—

Clause 8: To omit the words "suspend, reduce"; to insert, after the word "Inspector," the word "or"; to omit the words "or other officer of police"; and to add the following subclauses:—

(2.) The Governor may at any time reduce any such officer of police who has been guilty of any act of misconduct or insubordination, or who is remiss or negligent in the execution of his duty.

(3.) The Governor may also at any time suspend any such officer of police against whom a charge of misconduct or insubordination has been made till such time as the charge has been inquired into and finally dealt with.

Clause 9: To omit all the words after the word "Minister," in line 5, down to the words "the Force," in line 8, and substitute the words "discharge or dismiss any sergeant who has been guilty of conduct rendering it unfitting that he should remain in the Force, or who is, for any reason, unfit to remain in the Force. He may also with the like approval reduce any sergeant who has been guilty of any act of misconduct or insubordination or who is remiss or negligent in the discharge of his duty."

Clause 17: To omit all the words of subsection (1) after the word "pounds" in line 33 and substitute the words "or may recommend to the Governor the dismissal of the offender or his reduction in rank."

Clause 20: To omit all the words, after the words "member of the Force who," down to and including the words "lawful custody or."

Clause 25: To add the following subclauses:—

(2.) Any member of the Committee may issue summonses for the attendance of witnesses, and may examine on oath any person respecting the matter of the investigation, and may administer oaths to any such person.

(3.) Every person so summoned who does not attend at the time and place named in the summons, or who refuses to be sworn, or, being sworn, refuses to give evidence or answer any question lawfully put to him, is liable to a fine of *five* pounds, and such fine may be imposed by the Committee.

To add the following new clauses:—

26A. Every member of the Force shall retire from the service on attaining the age of sixty-five years:

Provided that where in the opinion of the Governor the special circumstances of any case require that any member should remain in the Force after attaining the age aforesaid, he may, by warrant under his hand, permit that member to remain in the Force for an additional period not exceeding six months.

41A. (1.) In addition to the powers of appointment of special constables hereinbefore conferred on the Commissioner and Magistrate, the Minister may from time to time, by warrant under his hand, appoint such persons as he thinks fit to be special constables.

(2.) Every person so appointed shall enter into the engagement prescribed by subsection *two* of section *thirty-seven* hereof to serve in the office of special constable within the limits prescribed in that behalf by the warrant of his appointment, and shall have the same powers, privileges, and duties within those limits as special constables appointed by the Commissioner have or are subject to.

Age of
retirement.

Special
constables may
be appointed by
the Minister.